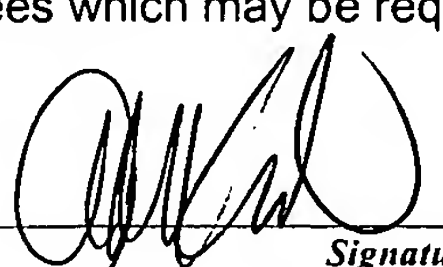
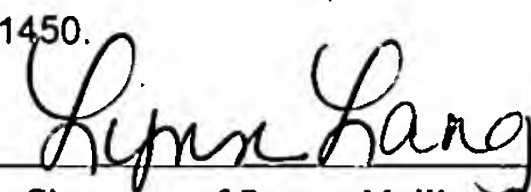


<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b> <b>(Small Entity)</b>			Docket No. <b>JPP-1266 NP</b>
In Re Application Of: <b>Weitao Jai, Shuhua Jin</b>			
Serial No. <b>10/005,298</b>	Filing Date <b>12/05/01</b>	Examiner <b>Yoon, Tae H</b>	Group Art Unit <b>1714</b>
Invention: <b>DENTAL/MEDICAL COMPOSITES COMPRISING DEGRADABLE POLYMERS AND METHODS OF MANUFACTURE THEREOF</b>			
<u>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>  This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u>09/17/03</u> in the above-identified application. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Date</div> The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired): <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-start;"><div><input type="checkbox"/> One month</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Two months</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Four months</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Five months</div></div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"><div>from: <u>12/17/03</u> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">Date</div></div><div>until: <u>03/17/04</u> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">Date</div></div> A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27: <div style="margin-left: 20px;"><input type="checkbox"/> is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has already been filed in this application.</div> The fee for the extension of time is <b>\$475</b> and is to be paid as follows: <div style="margin-left: 20px;"><input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. <b>50-0718</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. <b>50-0718</b></div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-end; margin-top: 20px;"><div style="text-align: center;"> _____ <div style="font-size: x-small;">Signature</div></div><div style="text-align: right;">Dated: <b>February 18, 2004</b></div></div><div style="margin-top: 10px;"><b>Ann M. Knab</b> <b>Reg. No. 33,331</b> <b>Customer No. 34214</b></div><div style="margin-top: 5px;"><b>02/25/2004 SDENBOB1 00000002 500718 10005298</b> <b>01 FC:2253 475.00 DA</b></div></div>			
cc:		<div style="font-size: x-small;">I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on <b>02/18/04</b> with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="font-size: x-small;">Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</div></div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"><b>Lynn Lang</b> <div style="font-size: x-small;">Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</div></div>	